

REMARKS

Claim 48 has been incorporated into claim 46. Claim 47 has been amended to conform with claim 46. Claims 28, 29, 31, 33, 34, 45 and 48 have been cancelled. No new matter has been added. Upon entry of this amendment claims 46, 47 and 49-54 are present and active in the applications.

Applicants respectfully request entry of this amendment. No new limitations have been presented. No new claims have been added.

Applicants thank Examiner Gray for the courteous and helpful discussion held with applicants' representative. During this discussion it was noted that the claims should be amended starting with the claims present at the final rejection, rather than the claims present in the response to the final rejection. Applicants have so amend the claims.

The rejection of the claims has been obviated by appropriate amendment. The cited references are silent regarding TiON and TiOS. Withdrawal of this ground of rejection is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

All of the grounds raised in the present Office Action for rejecting the application are believed to be overcome or rendered moot based on the remarks above. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that all of the presently presented claims are in form for allowance, and such action is requested. Should the Examiner feel a discussion would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned at (312) 876-1400.

Respectfully submitted,



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